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Sydney P. Noe.
Sec. American Numismatic Soc.
New York City.

My dear Mr. Noe -

In the Balboa Junior High School the boys and girls who have already started and are interested in coin collecting have organized a club for further study. Can your organization recommend any books, pamphlets or literature that will help me in directing their activities or that will be of interest and help to them?

I shall appreciate any help you can offer and am sure the club will be glad to follow any directions that you make.

Yours truly,
(Miss) Frances Miller
Club Adviser

November 19, 1931.

Miss Frances Miller
Box 1464
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My dear Miss Miller:

Your note of November 9th is at hand. I would suggest your writing to the Scott Stamp and Coin Company at 1 West 47th Street, New York City, for their standard catalogue of United States Silver and Copper Coins and possibily also for the similar publication on the United States Copper Coins. Does your club know of the "Numismatist"? I am covering the possibility that you do not by sending a sample copy, under separate cover, (without charge). This is not published by our Society as you will see but since the subscription is only $2.00 per year I think you would receive a return greater than that amount, even though many of the articles will be to highly specialized to interest your high school boys.

There should be a fairly considerable quantity of currencies of all nations available in the Canal Zone. Can you not unite forces with some of the local banks or obtain a contact in some fashion with the pursers of passing steamers so that their small value currency could be obtained at a low cost? Some of the issues of the South American republics are very interesting, as are also those mounted, cut and counter stamped for the various islands of the Caribbean, shortly before and after 1800. It is hardly probably that these appear in circulation at the present time but there is no telling what persistent seeking may find when there is an objective such as this. I enclose a list of the publications of our Society, in the event that any of them may seem worth the amount involved. It is possible that if you are able to arouse interest in your problem locally that some one of influence may provide means for acquiring a small library to aid you in your effort to keep the boys interested. If you think that I can aid you further, please feel that I shall be only too glad to have you write me again.

Very truly yours,

SN:JG

Secretary